

By: Representative Parker

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 799

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HIRING ALIENS; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR  
2 VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 57-1-371, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
3 IN CONFORMITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 **SECTION 1.** It shall be unlawful to hire any illegal alien.

6 A violation of this section shall be a felony and, upon  
7 conviction, the offender shall be fined not less than Two Thousand  
8 Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) nor more than Five Thousand  
9 Dollars (\$5,000.00) per offense and shall be imprisoned for not  
10 less than one (1) year nor more than three (3) years per offense.

11 **SECTION 2.** Section 57-1-371, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
12 amended as follows:

13 57-1-371. Any business, enterprise or other entity that is  
14 criminally convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of  
15 intentionally hiring illegal aliens shall be punished as provided  
16 in Section 1, House Bill No.\_\_\_\_, 2007 Regular Session, and shall  
17 be ineligible to receive any loan, grant or other form of  
18 assistance made available under Section 57-93-1, Sections 2  
19 through 37, Sections 57-1-10 and 57-95-1, Sections 40 through 55  
20 and Sections 27-7-22.28 and 27-7-22.29 of Chapter 1, Laws of Third  
21 Extraordinary Session of 2005. Any business, enterprise or other  
22 entity that receives any loan, grant or other form of assistance  
23 made available under Section 57-93-1, Sections 2 through 37,  
24 Sections 57-1-10 and 57-95-1, Sections 40 through 55 and Sections  
25 27-7-22.28 and 27-7-22.29 of Chapter 1, Laws of Third  
26 Extraordinary Session of 2005, and is criminally convicted by a  
27 court of competent jurisdiction of intentionally hiring illegal

28 aliens shall repay the full amount of such loan, grant or other  
29 form of assistance.

30         **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
31 and after July 1, 2007.